**CSD 340 – bioSite Critique**

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Critiques play an important role in any field involving design. As a student, the critique provides a platform for key skills to be developed that will be necessary in any aspect of a business.

**Elements and topics of the critique**

* **Does the solution satisfy the problem?**

The site is a biography but does not follow the usual biography I am accustomed to due to the horizontal layout. All requirements are there with the three required pages of the bioSite.

* **Does the solution go beyond what was expected or is it less?**

The website goes as expected from a biography. There is a good amount of content about the bio and allows me to know actually learn who he is.

* **Is typography used effectively?**

**Pro** –

There is a good amount of text on each page. None of the information are lacking in details for the biography.

**Con** –

There is a fair amount of grammar issues throughout the site.

Some of the text does not fit well with the biography because it is talking about the image. It does not feel like it fits in that particular spot and would seem to fit as a figcaption instead. Maybe have the text talking about the image as a figcaption instead? Or in italics?

* **Is color or the lack of color used effectively?**

The color is okay. I think that it is a little difficult to read the navigation bullet points. Maybe increasing the size or changing the color can fix this issue.

The header and the body background color matches but I do not think that the footer color matches. I understand where you are coming from to make the color match our Universities color, but maybe change the footer color to something else.

* **Are images used effectively?**

**Pro -**

The images are used well to cover good areas of white space throughout the site.

**Con –**

Lots of the images seem blurry or stretched to where it has become blurry.

Take the image on the About Page where Noah is leaning on the Charger. The image looks blurry because you have set the size to 450px x 450px while the original size is 702 x 937. The image height is taller than the width. In this case, you have squished the image down and it does not look normal.

* **Is there a good use of space (pos/neg)?**

**Pro –**

Most of the site has good spacing with only a few white spaces that can easily adjusted.

**Con –**

The header can be adjusted a little more from my point of view. Could make the font size bigger or center it because there is a bit of space from the “H1” to the navigation bullet points.

Most of the white space is to the right of all the images. There is always that small bit of white space to the right of each image.

I believe this white space could be fixed with adjusting the “margin” of the “div” columns that you have placed them into.

* **What is the overall style or feel of the solution?**

The site has a good style to it as I am not use to looking at profiles that goes at a landscape. I have become so use to biographies being at a portrait layout kind of like LinkedIn.

Other than that, the overall of the website looks nice.

* **Does the solution meet the requirements of the assignment?**

Looking back to what the assignment requirements were, it looks like what you did does meet the requirements.

* **Is the spelling and grammar correct?**

There was only one grammar issue that I saw throughout the site.

* + Landing Page – Image text about the Tavern. There is a missing double quote when you said, “Can’t get them all”.
* **Is the solution complete**
* Looking through your code with the developer mode, I saw that the landing page’s <html> was not closed out.
* The navigation bar should be wrapped in an unordered <ul> or ordered <ol> list.
  1. This is stated in MDN Web Docs about the List <li> element. *(The <li> HTML element is used to represent an item in a list. It must be contained in a parent element: an ordered list (<ol>), an unordered list (<ul>), or a menu (<menu>)*
  2. <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTML/Element/li>
* The navigation bar could use a different naming such as Home, About, and Hobbies. I think that what you have is a little long.
* The navigation bar can be consistent with just keeping the Home, About, and Hobbies without removing the current page from the nav bar as you currently have. The nav links can just link to itself kind of like a refresh button.
* Not a big issue but I think that the “Figcaptions” would look better if it was italicized and the font size decreased.